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TOPIC KVP Units in East Berlin

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1. KVP units observed in East Berlin in mid-September 1953 included:
The Alexandrinen Kaserne quartered about 650 KVPs who wore red-bordered black epaulets and housed a motor pool.

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The former post office on Brunnen Strasse quartered about 200 KVPs with black service colors;

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The building on Kloster Strasse previously occupied by Central Council of the FDJ quartered about 250 KVPs who wore red and blue epaulets.

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The Friedrich Karl Kaserne was unoccupied. The units previously stationed at the Schlosspark in Friedrichsfelde moved to some undetermined place between 10 and 12 September.

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2. On 3 September, the school at 21/22 on Scharnweber Strasse in Friedrichshain quartered KVP personnel. The Zentralviehhof (central stock yard) was unoccupied on 4 September.¹

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3. On 2 September, the SED school on Runge Strasse was being occupied by a KVP unit. The soldiers involved had previously been stationed in tent camps. The school had a quartering capacity of about 300 men.

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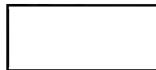
4. On 10 September, [] observed that the occupation of the KVP bivouac at Koenigsheide had not changed since late August. On 12 September, source observed KVP sentries on Rudower Chaussee and in front of the airfield buildings in Adlershof.¹

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5. On 13 September, source observed heavy traffic at the Schlosspark in Friedrichsfelde. Source believed that KVP units observed on 12 September were going to be stationed there. Most of the KVPs seen wore red or blue service colors; some red-bordered black and yellow-bordered black epaulets were also seen. No training activities were noticed.

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The afternoon of 14 September, [redacted] observed that the Schlosspark at Friedrichsfelde had been vacated by the KVP. About 50 tents, some trucks and other vehicles were still standing in the area, but no sentries were observed and the park was being used by the civilian population.¹

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6. On 13 and 14 September, the Schlosspark at Friedrichsfelde was almost completely vacated by the KVP. Only 50 to 60 large tents and all vehicles which were guarded by sentries were observed. The civilian population had free access to the park.¹
7. On 15 September, source observed that the Schlosspark at Friedrichsfelde had been vacated by the KVP and that the civilian population had free access to the area.¹
8. In mid-September, the Magerviekhof at Friedrichsfelde appeared to be more heavily occupied than previously. Most of the KVP personnel seen there had red, red-bordered black and green collar patches.

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9. In mid-September, the former home for nurses in Piesdorf still quartered about 600 KVPs.²

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10. On 11 and 12 September, source observed at the Eggesin railroad station the entreaining of the three regiments which had previously been stationed at the Karpin-Torgelow tent camp. No heavy weapons were observed. The trains left toward Berlin.

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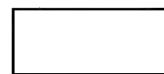
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2. [REDACTED] Comment. This building quarters the guard regiment of the KVP Section of the Ministry of the Interior.
3. [REDACTED] Comment. The transfer to Berlin of component units of Mechanized Division Eggesin was reported previously. Component units of Division Prora were again moved to Berlin.

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